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Sir:

Responsive to the Office communication datedSeptember 11, 2006, applicants' respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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